



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Historic Apple Orchard Programmatic Maintenance Plan
LOCATION: Palomar Mountain State Park, Highway S-7 and Doane Valley Road
COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Develop and implement a multiyear maintenance plan for a historic apple orchard at Palomar Mountain State Park, in accordance with Orchard Inventory, Stabilization, and Preservation Maintenance tasks as defined by the National Park Service (*Fruitful Legacy*, Susan Dolan, National Park Service, 2009). Tasks to be completed will include:

- Remove encroaching vegetation and debris; remove dead wood; complete needed irrigation repairs for restoration trees; repair tree cavities where possible; use paint to prevent sun scald where necessary; water sprouts and suckers; provide protection from wildlife such as deer.
- Complete winter and summer pruning in accordance with ANSI and University of California Extension Tree Pruning Standards and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for the Treatment of Historic Landscapes, apply dormant oil spray if needed, manage ground cover to less than 6 inches height, apply nutritional mulch, monitor for serious pests and diseases and treat if exceed acceptable infestations, thin fruit during "June Drop," harvest fruit when appropriate, maintain irrigation on restoration varieties until not needed, continue propagation of historic trees with scions on rootstock, conserve live wood for germplasm.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS: ☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 31 Section: 15331

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. Project consists of maintenance, repair, stabilization, preservation, or conservation of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer and is included as "Activities affecting historic resources consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties" under DPR's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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